

32.0199-0505

Critical Analysis of the Work-Based Learning Experience Journal Activity

Life Skills:

Analytical Evaluation

Critical Thinking

Time Frame:

**Approximately 15
Minutes at the
Beginning of
Each Class**

Summary: Students will learn through ongoing journaling assignments to analyze and evaluate in written and verbal format the learning experiences gained at the work-based learning internship site.

Primary Core Objective: 32.0199-0502 and 32.0199-0503

- Evaluate in written format, work-based learning experience
- Evaluate and analyze pragmatics of career choice

Materials:

The teacher may want to provide journaling “work sheets” with the question and space provided below for the student response. (See attachment)

Intended Learning Outcomes:

Students will be able to identify, analyze, and evaluate through written and verbal report, the various learning experiences they have during their internship.

Instructional Procedures:

The internship advisor’s role is to provide journaling questions at the beginning of each class period and allow students appropriate amount of time to write and report on the journaling question. The advisor and class members will provide feedback.

Journaling questions that can be useful for the objective are:

- 1- Write about your internship during these past two weeks. What was the most interesting or exciting thing you have done? What have you found to be frustrating? How do you plan to make the next two weeks at your internship site a good experience?
- 2- What is the most difficult problem you have solved at your internship and how did you do it?
- 3- Tell about a time when your attitude at your internship site made a difference for good or bad.
- 4- List 5 qualities that you have and how they have or will help you do well at your internship site.

- 5- The newspaper features you on the front page a year from now, what does the headline? The news paper features you on the front page again in 5 years from now, how does that headline read? What about the headline for 10 years from now?
- 6- List the 4 most important things you want to accomplish in your life. Tell the steps you will take to accomplish those things.
- 7- List two things that you have learned at your internship that someone did not TELL you.
- 8- What work ethic have you observed in someone at your internship that you admire? What work ethic have you observed that you do not admire?
- 9- Describe the physical and social environment of your internship?
- 10- What role does technology play at your internship site? What technological skills will you need to be successful in this field?
- 11- Describe a situation at your internship where you have been assertive and stepped outside of your comfort zone.
- 12- What is something that you do not like about your internship? Who is responsible for the situation? What proactive steps might you take to improve that situation?
- 13- What is your internship site's mission statement? If they do or do not have an official mission statement, what do think it should be? How well does that organization follow your version of the mission statement?
- 14- What is your own personal mission statement? How does a career in your internship field fit in with that mission statement?
- 15- What are three specific goals you hope to accomplish through your internship? What are the steps you will take to reach those goals?
- 16- What are some of the ethical issues that must be addressed in this business? Have you encountered any specific situation during your internship that required you or others to make decisions about ethics?
- 17- How has the internship had an effect on the way you are approaching learning in your other classes?

18- In what ways is your attitude toward your internship the same or different than when you began?

19- What have you learned about the variety of jobs available in this field that you never knew about before? Do you find any of these other jobs interesting? Why or why not?

20- Explain why good communication skills are so important in the field where you are interning? How are listening, speaking, reading and writing used in this career field?

Attachments:

Journaling Worksheet

Assessment Plan:

After students have completed the journaling assignments in written format they will be able to verbally articulate their evaluation of several different learning experiences gained at the internship site.

Bibliography:

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Journaling Question:

Journal Response:

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